

Wastewater Management Commission (WWMC)

Meeting minutes November 19, 2007

(Approved by WWMC on December 3, 2007)

Meeting time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Tiverton Community Center

Members present: Chris Nearpass, Raymond Joubert, Colleen Stanton, Leroy Kendricks Jr. and Donald Wilbur.

Also in attendance: John Lincourt, Wastewater Superintendent

1. The minutes of the 05 November 2007 meeting as recorded by the Acting Secretary of the Commission were approved on a motion by Colleen Stanton, seconded by Leroy Kendricks Jr. with the following corrections: Item 3 refers to Sewer Betterment Fees in two instances; and Mr. Kamal Hingorany name was misspelled.

2. Watuppa Plantations/Countryview Estates:

Mr. Lincourt reported the following: He has worked with the designer, Boydco Corp. to reduce the cost of the pumping station installation. A structure will be provided to enclose the facility. The Countryview pumping station wet well is large enough to receive the additional flow, but the pumps must be replaced. WWMC member Mr. Kendricks, an electrical engineer requested copies of the proposal to review.

3. Standard procedure for sewer line extension: Mr. Lincourt presented to the WWMC for review a proposed Application and Standard Operating Procedure for new sewer extensions. Some minor revisions were discussed; documents will be revised and presented to the WWMC at a future meeting.

4. Charter Amendment: Mr. Nearpass, at the last meeting, informed the WWMC that the duties and responsibilities section should be updated. A revision of the paragraph was discussed and the underlined addition was added:

"The Wastewater Commission shall administer that portion of the Town Code entitled "Sewers and Sewage Disposal" which includes the "On-Site Wastewater Management" program. The Director of the Department of Public Works shall be an EX-Officio member of the Commission. Day to day operation of the wastewater programs will be the responsibility of the Wastewater Superintendent and coordinated with the Department of Public Works.

The terms "septage, and nightsoil" should be deleted; and "On-Site Wastewater Disposal" inserted. Also the phrase "Notwithstanding any other duties and responsibilities of the Wastewater Management Commission" Should be deleted, leaving...No part of the sewage system etc.

5. WasteWater Superintendent's Bi Weekly report
(No vote taken or necessary on any of John's reported issues)

:

a. On-site wastewater-Mr. Lincourt reported that 257 letters requiring inspection have been sent to the Stafford Pond drainage area. Roughly 20 involved properties without buildings upon them. Systems inspected to date number 87. About 150 follow up letters will be sent by months end. There have been 14 failed systems found, and 34 functioning cesspools. Failed systems must be replaced within a short time, and cesspools must be replaced after 7/1/08.

b. Hilton Ave./Canonicus St. sewer construction: The Town Council approved the award of this contract to Grandview Construction at its last meeting. The signing of the contract should take place this week. Construction is scheduled to begin within three weeks.

6. ITEM ADDED TO AGENDA - Discussion of the Community Septic System Loan Program (CSSLP) administered by the R.I.Housing Agency. The WWMC Chairman will draft a letter to the Town Council regarding guidelines for the approval of loan request for which waiver are requested by the R.I. Housing Agency. This may involve a higher degree of liability for the town.

7.Motion to pay all bills made by Mr. Nearpass, and seconded by Colleen Stanton. Approved unanimously.

8. A motion to adjourn was made at 6:17p.m. by Colleen Stanton, sec. by Leroy Kendricks Jr. Passed unanimously. The next scheduled meeting is December 3, 2007 @ 4:30p.m. at Tiverton Community Center.

Submitted: Raymond Joubert, acting secretary,